GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3202
ANSWERED ON:19.08.2004
RUNNING OF `PALACE ON WHEELS` FROM SAFDARJUNG STATION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that adequate facilities are not available at present at Delhi Cantt. Station for the passenger of 'Palace on Wheel' train running from the same station;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Department of Tourism has submitted any proposal to run this train from Safdarjung station instead of Delhi Cantt.; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): Delhi Cantonment is an important "A" class station. All the prestigious trains like the "Palace on Wheels", "Royal Orient Express" and the "Fairy Queen" run from Delhi Cantonment station. This station has all the necessary facilities like Very Important Person (VIP) lounge, Pedestrian Path-way, Water Cooler, Foot over bridge, Passenger Reservation System (PRS), Catering/Vending stalls, Coolies etc.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.